

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

These Remarks are submitted in conjunction with the above preliminary amendment. The above preliminary amendment is made to better conform the pending claims with standard U.S. practice. For example, applicant has eliminated all of the improper multiple dependencies of the claims. No new matter is added as a result of these amendments. Support for the amendments may be found in the examples, the claims, and throughout the application as originally filed.

CONCLUSION

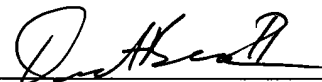
Entry of the foregoing and prompt and favorable consideration of the subject application on the merits are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of Hunton & Williams, Deposit Account Number 50-0206.

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